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In re application of:

Ruan et al.

Appl. No.: 09/902,883 Filed: July 11, 2001

For: Optical MEMS Switching Array
With Embedded Beam-Confining

Channels and Method of

**Operating Same** 

Confirmation No.: 9836

Art Unit: 2874

Examiner: Sarah Song

Atty. Docket: 12218.1100 (027.0004)

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Submission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) and Preliminary Amendment

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Filed concurrently herewith in the captioned application is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Prior to examination of the RCE on the merits, please amend the application as directed herein. Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No.

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